

BULLETIN NEW LETTERS FROM IS BROADENING FIELD

LETTERS FROM TOWNS IN TWO STATES

The Business and Social Life of Every Town and Settlement Reflected in These Columns.

NEW LONDON COUNTY

VOLUNTOWN

Birthday Surprise for Fred G. Brown
—Court Liberty's Concert and Ball—
Clark-Kilbourne Wedding.

Saturday evening about thirty friends and acquaintances paid a surprise visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Brown, it being Mr. Brown's birthday. The party carried refreshments of cake, fruit, candy, etc., which were served with coffee during the evening. Among the gifts received by Mr. Brown was a handsome coat sweater presented in a happy speech by Henry Cole on behalf of the party. The evening was pleasantly passed, the party being entertained with music, after which games were played.

Social Event of the Season.
On Wednesday evening Court Liberty, No. 132, F. of A., held its eleventh annual concert and ball, which was artistically decorated in red, white and blue bunting, the colors of the order. This annual affair has become the leading social event of the season and on Wednesday evening was attended by a very large number of members and their friends, who thoroughly enjoyed the fine evening's programme arranged by the committee in charge. Harp and orchestra of eight pieces gave a concert from 8 to 9 under the direction of William Richards and received liberal applause for their fine work. They also furnished music for the dancing that followed from 9 until 2 in the morning. The affair proved not only a very enjoyable one but also a very profitable one financially. The committee in charge was Thomas McDonald, chairman, Andrew J. McGuire and Jeffery LaCasse.

Marksmen Try Their Skill.
Thanksgiving afternoon a number of local gunners held a trap and goose shooting at the home of Mr. J. H. Brown, which was witnessed by a good sized crowd. Some good shooting was witnessed, although no very remarkable scores were made. There are enough good men in town to form a good gun club.

Local Interests.
Frank Burton and Miss Mary A. McGuire, both of this place, were married on Saturday in Norwich by Justice of the Peace J. H. Brown.

A number from this place were in Norwich on Saturday last doing their Thanksgiving shopping.

Archibald Russell of Riverport, R. I., and Martha Russell of Riverport, R. I., are visiting at their home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Chartier and daughter Ethel of Manchester are spending the Thanksgiving holidays at the home of William Ritchotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Groves of Hills Grove, R. I., are spending the holidays at the home of Mr. Groves' parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Groves.

Miss Jennie Campbell of the New London Business College and Miss Elsie Herbert of the Academy of the Holy Family at Baltimore are enjoying the holidays at their home in North Windham.

Misses Dunlevy and Backus, teachers at the local grammar school, are spending their holidays at their home in North Windham.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Mordor are in Williamstown.

James E. Whitaker of Providence spent Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitaker.

Clark-Kilbourne Marriages.
Edward E. Clark of this place and Miss Cora Kilbourne of New Britain were married at New Britain on Wednesday afternoon. Mr. Clark is superintendent of the New Britain Manufacturing Company in this town. His bride is well known here as a former teacher in the public schools.

NORTH STONINGTON

Union Thanksgiving Service—Elisha Post Leases Frink Farm—William C. Brown's Death.

The union Thanksgiving service in the Third Baptist church Sunday morning was largely attended. The sermon was by Rev. J. H. Adams from the words "O that men would praise the Lord for His goodness and for His wonderful works which He has done for men." Rev. F. M. Hollister conducted the introductory services and sang the offertory solo.

Edward Malm and family have moved into their new residence on the Norwich road.

Mrs. F. M. Hollister returned Tuesday evening from a three weeks' absence in Middlebury.

Miss Phoebe B. Sheffield has been substituting as teacher for Miss Hattie M. Miner, who has been detained at home this week by the illness of her mother, Mrs. Lester Miner.

Leased Frink Farm.
Elisha Post of New London has leased the Daniel H. Frink farm.

Rev. Lucian Drury arrived home on Tuesday evening from an absence of four days. During his absence he supplied the pulpit of the Congregational church in Westminister, Vt., and visited his son, L. L. Drury, in Mount Vernon, Mass.

Death of William C. Brown.
William C. Brown of this town died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Elmer Davis, in Noank, Tuesday. The funeral services were held in the Third Baptist church Wednesday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. J. H. Adams. Burial was in the Old Plain cemetery.

Thanksgiving Guests.
Mr. and Mrs. George P. Coats spent Thanksgiving in New Britain at the home of Mr. Coats' brother, Judge John Coats.

Postmaster and Mrs. George W. Tryon and Mrs. C. H. Hewitt spent Thanksgiving at the home of Dr. W. A. Hillard in Westminister.

Mrs. D. F. Chapman entertained at Thanksgiving her son, J. F. Chapman, of Mystic, two granddaughters, the Misses Chapman, and two grandsons, Lyle C. and Ernest Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Perkins and James D. Miner and son spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. David Nason of Westminister.

Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Tanner of New London spent the holiday here, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles N. Brown.

MOHEGAN

Little Happenings of the Week—Personal Items.

Mrs. Dolbear and Mrs. Avery were visitors in Uncasville the first of the week.

Burrill Fielding and Mr. Rose of New London were visitors in this place Sunday.

Julian Harris of Norwich called on friends in this place last Friday.

Mrs. Gertrude Harris of Norwich spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. E. C. Fowler.

Mr. Allen and son, Orville, who have

been working in New York, were home over Sunday.

Miss Cynthia Fowler was a visitor in Uncasville early in the week.

Theodore Nordraft was a Norwich visitor Sunday.

SALEM

Thanksgiving Entertainment Given by School Children—About the Village.

An unusually large number attended the Thanksgiving services in the Congregational church last Sunday. The singing was exceptionally fine.

Mr. Rogers was not able to be present, so Mrs. Ora Clark had charge of the evening services. Mrs. Cora Harvey presided at the piano.

Mr. Rogers spent Sunday with his wife and daughter at the Red cottage. Mr. Hoffman of New York City was there.

Mr. W. W. Harvey has returned to his home in town after an absence of several weeks.

The dance given by J. Frank Rogers in the Strickland hall last Friday evening was well attended.

Mrs. George Standish of Colchester was in town last Friday.

Miss Harriet Williams of New London spent Thanksgiving day at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Williams.

Misses Ruth and Ivesherry, students at the Memorial Institute, of New London, are spending Thanksgiving recess at their home in town.

Miss Eva Standish and Miss Susan Miner are spending the Thanksgiving recess at the home of Miss Standish in Westchester.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Maynard spent Thanksgiving day at the home of Mr. Maynard's sister, Mrs. Willis Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lorne spent Thanksgiving day in New London.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Murray and daughter Ruth spent Thanksgiving day in Franklin, the guests of Mrs. Murray's grandfather, Deacon Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Miner and son Charles spent Thanksgiving day at Mr. Miner's home in Millington.

Fred R. Bailey and family were visitors Thanksgiving day in Colchester, the guests of Addison Taintor and Mrs. M. R. Shegried.

Thanksgiving Day Exercises.
The pupils in the Central district gave a singing at their school on Wednesday afternoon under the direction of their teacher, Miss Eva M. Standish. The following programme was carried out: Song, "Our Father," recitation, "The Thanksgiving Proclamation," Carrie Giles; Thanksgiving Quotations, George; recitation, Penelope's recitation, recitation, "The Thanksgiving Turkey," Willie Day; reading of the Governor's Proclamation, Leon Rix; recitation, Thanksgiving, Frank Schumucker; song, "We're All Going to Grandpa's school," An Original Thanksgiving Story, Lawrence Beebe; recitation, "Out for a Walk," Leta Bailey; recitation, "The First Thanksgiving Day," Ida Schumucker; composition, "The Pilgrims," Susan Miner; recitation, "Story of the Pilgrims," Tresson Morgan; recitation, Thanksgiving Day, Celia Rathbone; recitation, Puritan Boy, Myer Schumucker; exercise, Pilgrims and Indians, lower grades; composition, "The Thanksgiving Day," Leon Rix; recitation, "Little Puritan," Annie Schumucker; recitation, "A Little Boy's Trouble," Lawrence Spencer; song, "America's children," school.

Mr. S. Cogswell will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday morning on "The Christian Race and will give a talk on the athletes of the Christian race."

Mrs. Mary Darling will lead the Young People's meeting in the evening.

SOUTH LYME

Arrangements Being Made for Christmas Concert.

Mrs. James Champion has returned after a month's visit with her mother in Ivoryton.

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LEBANON

Mrs. Ella Mason of Rosindale, Mass. is the guest of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Dison.

Deacon and Mrs. William Wetmore spent Thanksgiving day with their son in Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. David Pitcher are spending this week with the latter's parents in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Harold Mason spent last Saturday and Sunday with Rodney Hewitt at Brown University.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Williams were among the fortunate ones who saw the Yale-Harvard game last Saturday.

Clayton Williams, the ten year old son of Arthur Williams, fell against a bureau last Wednesday and received a scalp wound three inches long which required several stitches.

Bert Sweet and Charles Tillingham returned from their summer home here to New London.

ASHWILLETT

Bad Woodland Fire—Big Hawk Shot.

Saturday afternoon a large fire started in the woods near Pendleton Hill and burned over the Joe Chapman farm at Billings' pond and was still burning Monday night.

William Hasler of Colport Hill road has sold his woodlot to Charles Tillingham. Men are to begin cutting it next week.

Elmer Morgan returned to his home

in Ledyard Tuesday after a week's visit with his cousin, A. A. Morgan.

John Morgan of Preston was a Sunday caller at his home here.

Mrs. Julia A. Crunk was in Voluntown Monday.

Mrs. A. A. Morgan was a business caller in Norwich Tuesday.

C. F. Hayward was in Norwich on Wednesday.

School closed Wednesday until Monday morning.

Ed Anderson of Oak Hill farm shot a large hawk Saturday.

GALES FERRY

Report of Sunday School Convention Given by Supt. C. E. Colver—Personal Notes.

An interesting report of the recent convention of the Connecticut Sunday School association at Middletown was given by Supt. C. E. Colver, who attended as a delegate from the Gales Ferry Sunday school, at the session of this school on Sunday, Miss Alice Satterthwaite, Miss LaFollette, Rev. and Mrs. C. Wilson Harrison, Charles H. Chapman and Superintendent Colver were elected as a Christmascare committee at the close of the study hour, when a meeting of the Sunday school board was held to consider the observance of the Christmas season.

Montett Lawson left last week for Jersey City, where he has obtained employment.

Miss Laura Perkins, who has been spending some time recently with her grandmother, Mrs. Albertus Maynard, returned home Saturday.

Miss Harriet Bishop of Brown arrived here from Bristol Wednesday evening and will spend the Thanksgiving recess with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Perkins.

Miss Mary Hurlbutt is visiting Miss Mabel Martin in Meriden.

Noyes B. Allen visited last week with friends at Wickham and at his former home in Hartford and Middletown.

The weekly prayer service and choir rehearsal was held Wednesday evening this week on account of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Norman L. Brown sailed Saturday on the barge, Bonahart, for New York, Point for a trip to Newport News, Va.

Nathan A. Gibbs of Norwich and Milo Benn of New London were callers at the summer homes in the village on Thursday.

Miss Sarah Latimer was a visitor at her former home in Hartford for a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kettle moved their household goods to Groton Saturday.

Returns to Mount Hermon.
J. Raymond Perkins, who was called home to attend the funeral of his grandmother, Mrs. Albertus Maynard, returned to his studies at Mount Hermon, Mass., Monday morning.

Clarence Latham of Essex, accompanied by his son, Thomas, spent the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Latham.

Mrs. Emma Harrison, who has been conducting a mission for the past three weeks in Lowell, Mass., has returned to the parsonage.

Coroner Franklin H. Brown of Norwich, accompanied by Edward Latimer, W. E. Latimer, and others, made their last fishing trip of the season on the auxiliary sloop Ruth, Tuesday, the boat being hauled up for the winter on Thursday.

Percy Norman has returned to his duties on the steamer Richard Peck after spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. P. L. Norman, at Alyn's Point.

Charles Turner of Hartford arrived Wednesday evening to spend the holiday with his mother, Mrs. Alonzo Turner.

HAMBURG

Lyme Juvenile Grange Installs Officers—Pleasant Surprise Party.

Lyme Juvenile Grange installed officers Saturday afternoon, November 19, as follows:

Master, Morris Peck; lecturer, Leslie Beebe; secretary, Olive Stark; overseer, Inez Peck; treasurer, Jennie Stark; assistant, Ruth Harding; lady assistant, Ruth Harding; Flora, Harriet Reynolds; Cere, Ora Harding; Pomona, Rose Gillette; gate keeper, Eugene Beebe. One candidate was admitted to the society of 43 and 27 at the social hour.

A pleasant surprise party was given Miss May Harding Friday evening of last week. Mrs. J. S. Daniels and son furnished refreshments. Games were played and refreshments were served.

Rev. Leroy Parfitt, who has preached here for two years, has been called to a church in Lake Mills, Wis., and will move in the near future, much to the regret of his parishioners.

John Tiffany visited friends in Hartford the first of the week.

Mrs. William Anderson spent a few days last week with her parents at Wilson's station.

Leon Tiffany spent the week end with his mother, Mrs. Sterling Tiffany.

Mr. and Mrs. Lodovick Bill spent Thanksgiving with their son in Deep River.

OAKDALE

Supervisor Wheeler Visits School—News in General.

A. J. Fox has moved from the Fox homestead to one of the tenement houses in the village.

School Supervisor C. E. Wheeler of New London was visiting the schools in this section of the town one day recently.

C. A. Geishardt's steam sawmill is located on the town farm.

Rev. H. T. Arnold of Norwich preached in the Congregational church on Sunday from Luke 14:36. There was an attendance of 43 and 27 at the session of the Sunday school.

The Endeavor meeting was led by Mrs. E. F. Comstock. Topic, How does God love us and dancing, was given by Mrs. Elizabeth Rathbun and Carleton Jewett. Games were played and refreshments were served. All spent a very enjoyable evening.

Mrs. William Sisson last Sunday visited at Charles Sweet's last week.

Mrs. William Sisson has been ill the past week.

Starts Distillery.
F. S. Seymour of Hadlyme has started Woodmont distillery this week, with Courtland Maynard as first assistant.

GARDNER LAKE

Mrs. Bolander and grandson have gone to New York to spend the winter.

Mrs. Johnson has returned to Niantic after a lengthy visit with Mrs. Ella Champlin.

Miss Ethel Boynton of Palmertown was home Sunday.

George Daniels has brought his family home from Groton, where they have been for several weeks.

GRISWOLD

Rev. C. L. French will exchange pulpits next Sunday with Rev. Mr. Champlin.

George R. Edmond of Norwich recently visited friends in this place.

Pearl Morgan recently moved to

Jewett City, where he is employed as foreman in a department of the bleachery.

UNCASVILLE

Robert C. Burchard Hunting in North Carolina—Moses Chapman Has Ancient Deeds—Holiday Notes.

Twenty-seven members of Thames lodge, I. O. O. F., went to New London Friday evening to attend exercises held by Pequot lodge.

Those who attended the Yale-Harvard game in New Haven, Saturday, were Edward Glassbrenner and William Arnold.

Holiday Social.
Cochran camp, Modern Woodmen of America, held a social and dance in Robertson's hall Thanksgiving eve. At their regular meeting, held in Hickey's hall Monday night, an oyster supper was served.

Robert C. Burchard, one of the board of selectmen, left town Thursday to spend a few weeks hunting in North Carolina.

Miss Josephine Hart has been engaged as clerk by the board of assessors, now in session at the town clerk's office.

Schools in town closed Wednesday afternoon, to open Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Church are entertaining Miss Alice Prentice of Pequot this week.

New Almshouse Completed.
Perry Bros., who had the contract for building the almshouse, completed their work recently. The building is ready for occupancy as soon as the plaster is dried out sufficiently. It was hoped that the inmates might be able to eat their Thanksgiving dinner in it, but owing to the dampness they were cared for in the old quarters.

David Fitzgerald, employed in East Lyme, was the guest Sunday of relatives in Pequot.

Miss Alice Freeman of Willimantic was a week end visitor with friends in this place.

Repairing Road.
The dangerous spot in the highway between the car station and Botham's store is being put in repair for the winter by the selectmen. Posts are being set in from the present gaps in the sidewalk, and the road will be leveled up during the week, so that foot passengers can travel safely.

Bleachery Busy.
The Thames bleachery is busy, having orders for several months ahead.

Hefty Turkeys.
Matt A. Tucker raised a fine lot of bronze turkeys, nearly all of which he has disposed of, about one hundred weighing from 8 to 15 pounds.

Julius Kaplan, who has been in New York in the wrecked steamer, returned Monday.

Mr. Joseph Beckwith, who has been very ill for several weeks, is able to sit up a little. Her son, Charles Beckwith, of New York, was a visitor at the home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Woodmansee are guests of relatives in East Lyme over the holiday.

Miss Jennie Woodmansee, who has been ill, has improved so she is able to sit up for a while during the day.

Mill Closed for Holiday.
The Palmer Bros' mill closed down Wednesday night for Thanksgiving day, resuming work Friday.

Moved Since Before the Revolution.
Moses Chapman has in his possession deed of property which has been in the Chapman family since before the revolution, the property being about a half acre of land in the village and situated on Powers Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Shaffer and child are spending the week end with Mr. Shaffer's parents in Baltic.

Fickle Woman Causes Trouble.
A peculiar incident happened at the town clerk's office last Monday. One of the Poles employed in the Uncasville Manufacturing company's mill applied to the town clerk for a marriage license. He stated that he had been married and that he wanted a license to marry the same woman. At this stage M. J. Hickey, constable, was called on to straighten matters out. He obtained \$32 which he applied to the clerk, who said it was believed that applicant No. 2 would be the successful bridegroom, but when last heard from the woman had again transferred her affections to the first man in the case.

LEDYARD

Telephone Line Completed—Surprise on Birthday—Holiday Guests.

Charles E. Lewis of Norwich was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Avery, on Thanksgiving day.

Good Corn Crop.
Frank W. Brewster, a prosperous farmer of this town, has raised over 600 bushels of good, hard corn this year.

New Telephone Line.
The Southern New England Telephone company has completed the line on the Norwich division near the Pequotanuck line and has put the telephone in for several subscribers. The line has been kept busy and all those who have it are pleased to talk with their friends.

Many from this town went away to spend Thanksgiving and many friends and relatives came back to the old homestead to spend theirs.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Holdridge of Providence were Thanksgiving guests of Mrs. Sarah H. Main at Lantern Hill.

Birthday Surprise Party.
Twenty-eight young people gave Miss Bertha Welman a surprise party in honor of her birthday on Thanksgiving eve. Games were played and refreshments were served and all enjoyed the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Hewitt have been staying several days with relatives in Hartford.

NORTH LYME

Donation Party at the Parsonage—Distillery Starts Up.

There was a large social gathering at the parsonage last Friday evening when the people of the church and congregation made a donation visit to the pastor and his wife. There were recitations by Miss Helen Jewett and Mrs. Charles Bube and a dialogue given by Mrs. Elizabeth Rathbun and Carleton Jewett. Games were played and refreshments were served. All spent a very enjoyable evening.

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OLD MYSTIC

Rev. J. M. Olmstead to Go to Bloomington, N. J.—Meeting of Ladies' Aid Society—Local Visitors.

The proceeds of the entertainment given Wednesday evening of last week at Center Groton chapel by Rev. Mr. Olmstead and class amounted to about \$32. This sum will be used for the benefit of the Chapel association.

Rev. George H. Miner, D. D., of Mystic, will occupy the pulpit of the Baptist church Sunday morning, Nov. 27, in the absence of the pastor.

At a business meeting of the Baptist church held Thursday evening, Nov. 26, it was voted to accept the resignation of the pastor, Rev. J. M. Olmstead, who has accepted a call to the Baptist church at Bloomington, N. J. He will assume the duties of that pastorate on Dec. 1.

The Mystic Woolen company of Old Mystic employed only about one-third the hands last week, as one of the boilers was undergoing repairs.

Mrs. Charles Q. Eldredge has returned from two weeks' visit with relatives in Vermont and Massachusetts.

John E. Appold of Brooklyn, N. Y., Baptist church met Tuesday evening with Mrs. Horace O. Williams.

Schools Close for Thanksgiving Recess.
The schools closed early Wednesday afternoon for the rest of the week. The principal, Miss Bowker, and the other teachers, Miss Kent and Miss Clark, will spend the brief recess at their respective homes, Boston, Providence and East Hampton.

Harry Hoxsie of Ashaway, R. I., has been managing the business of his brother, Calvin H. Hoxsie, for the past week, while Mr. and Mrs. Hoxsie are enjoying a visit to relatives in Boston.

Mrs. William A. Harvey and Mrs. William Winchester of New London were recent guests of Mrs. Harvey's father, Rev. E. C. Smith, at the Methodist parsonage.

Mrs. Charles E. Stapelyn has returned from two weeks' visit to her son-in-law and daughter, Captain and Mrs. John E. Appold of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bailey of Essex.

Miss Gertrude Gladwin of Newport was an over Sunday guest of her grand parents, Mrs. and Mrs. Samuel Dyer.

Miss Nellie E. Schoonover of Smith college is spending the Thanksgiving recess with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alpheus H. Schooner, at Ellinburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Bailey of Essex were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Grinnell, making the trip to and from Essex by motor cycle.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hayward, who teaches in Manchester, were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Prentice A. Williams of Quonetung Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. James P. Brown and sons, Nelson and Elwood, of Noank, were guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Lamphere.

Holiday Guests.
Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy entertained on Thanksgiving Mr. and Mrs. William Douglas of Mystic, Charles S. Cady of Hartford, and Mr. and Mrs. John E. Appold of New York, Jr., and Howard, of Old Mystic.

Mrs. Ryder and daughter, Miss Marie Ryder of Norwich, were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Cudworth.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Crumb departed Wednesday for New London, where they will spend the winter holidays with their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Chipman.

George Walworth Middleton returned Tuesday to New York City, after a visit to his stock farm on Quonetung Hill.

Mrs. Arthur Brown and daughter, Ruth, have returned to their home in East street, Mystic, after a visit to Mr. Brown's mother, Mrs. Ruth Tuorgee.

William H. E. Hanks spent Thanksgiving as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Hanks of Norwich.

Mrs. Jeppha M. Olmstead, Miss Gladys Olmstead and Miss Lillian P. Chipman of Old Mystic were guests Tuesday of Mrs. Fanni C. Lamb of Ledyard.